

MR. GEORGE PATTON KILLED BY AUTOMOBILE

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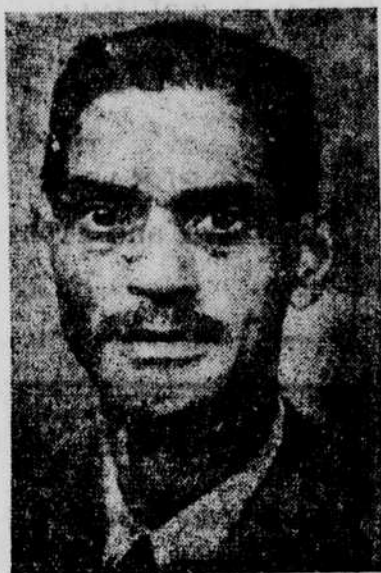
BUY DEFENSE STAMPS

George Patton Old Citizen Was Killed By An Automobile Last Saturday

On Saturday of last week while in Meridian for his regular duties, an old citizen of the Russell community was killed in Meridian. An automobile is reported to have run over him, breaking his neck and back. According to reports, the car was driven by a white man from Stonewall, Miss. Mr. Patton was the son-in-law of the late Mr. Frank Durr. He leaves to mourn a wife, a daughter, Miss Bettie Patton of Chicago and other relatives and friends.

The body was laid to rest in the Good Hope Cemetery. He was a member of Good Hope C. M. E. Church.

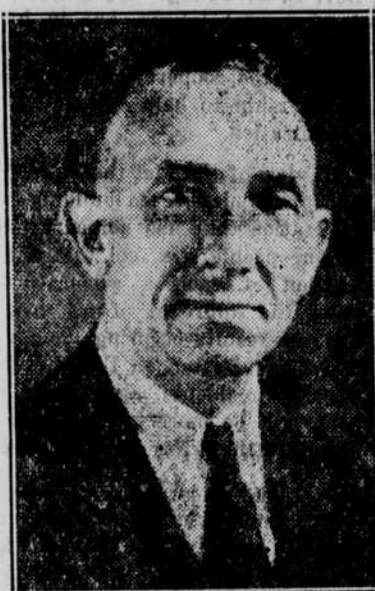
JAMES PATRICK



PRESIDENT McLAUGHLIN
tall giant in big timber, C. W. McLaughlin of Waynesboro, Mississippi. He is another who added ten or more members, collected on same and was awarded a beautiful fountain pen as a prize.

"Walk together children, don't get weary;
There is a great camp meeting in the promise land."

PRESIDENT BROWN McREE



Brown McRee is a house-hold word in Quitman, Mississippi. He is another one of those H. B. A. giants who added ten members or more and collected on same in the March Board. He was not at the Board, but his wife represented him. She carried to him a beautiful fountain pen.

Picayunc, Miss.

Sunday, March 22, was a high day for service at the Pleasant Valley Baptist Church where Reverend H. B. Boyd is pastor. Rev. Boyd has been pastor for 30 years. Due to ill health, Rev. Boyd has not been able to preach for sometime. Rev. E. L. Fox, of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, has been chosen by Rev. Boyd to carry on his pastoral work, and he is doing so with great success. The church is growing in membership and in finance. Three Deacons were added to the staff ordination in the

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To many Members are dying says Auditor

TOO MANY DEATHS AMONG THE H. B. A.'S

On Friday of last week a three year audit of the affairs and condition of the H. B. A. was made under direction of the Honorable John Sharp Williams, 3rd, commissioner of insurance of the state of Mississippi. A complete check up on the Association was made by Mr. G. C. Shelton, auditor.

We were commended for the splendid work that is being done through and by the H. B. A. Some recommendations were made for improvement.

The H. B. A. has a record of not having given the department of insurance one minute trouble during the life of the insurance company. The H. B. A. was organized before the insurance department of Mississippi was organized, therefore, we have a clean record.

Too Many Deaths

It was discovered however, that we are having too many deaths in the H. B. A. for the number of active members. We have contended all along that we are having too many deaths. That comes from the fact somebody is not dealing fair with the H. B. A.

Fines and Suspensions

The General President has decreed that any lodge or president found guilty of violating the laws of the constitution in taking in members who are too old or who are unhealthy, shall be fined and suspended. To this, the General secretary says, "Amen, Amen, Amen, look out presidents, I am almost sure that somebody is going to be fined and suspended."

Meridianites Visit In Ohio

MR. E. F. YOUNG, JR.

Mr. Young left the city Monday of this week for Cleveland, Ohio, where he will attend the 84th celebration of Bishop Charles Henry Phillips.

NEWELL CHAPEL PASTOR

Reverend R. L. Young, the energetic pastor of Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church, is attending the Bishops' meeting in Cleveland, Ohio. Reverend Young will visit in Jackson, Tennessee; Chicago, Illinois; and Cleveland, Ohio before returning to the city.

If you do not get your Echo, please notify the office by postal card. We will immediately contact your postmaster. The Echo is mailed 52 weeks in the year.

WARNING! BE CAREFUL!

First of all in this article, I am making an appeal to the local presidents and then I am appealing to the members to be careful and see to it that you observe the law of the H. B. A. in making new members or renewing members.

As General president of the H. B. A., I am deeply indebted to the General secretary for the interest and enthusiasm that he has injected into my 75th Anniversary. I think he has done and is doing an honorable thing. He deserves commendation.

"KING FISH"



The above is the likeness of "King Fish" Aaron Trotter of Picayune, Mississippi, president of Lodge No. 373. He was awarded a beautiful fountain pen in the March Board for having added ten members or more and collecting on same in our big drive.

The "King Fish" is a "hot spot" in the H. B. A. ism; he is a live wire; he is an all around man. He sees to it that more of his members read the Weekly Echo than any twenty presidents in the Association put together. We hope that we will have other presidents who will join his class and see to it that they order at least five papers each week and sell them.

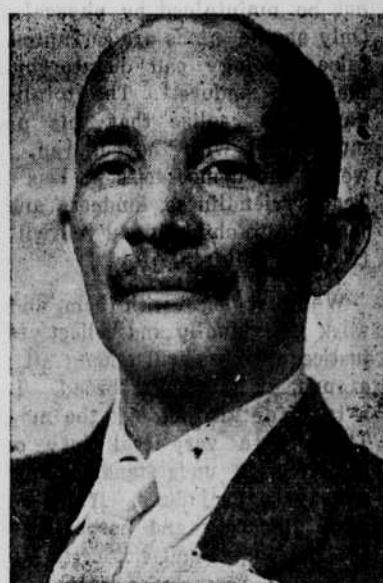
I fear that some of you may become so enthused that you will put people that are sick and people who are too old in your lodge. You will not mean harm, but you will do harm. The insurance department is now complaining about the large number of deaths that we are having. We are absolutely having too many deaths, we must put a stop to it, we are going to put a stop to it.

A certain application was made not long ago and an age was given as 40 something, and about 12 months the person died, was paid off and later on we found out that the individual was 70 odd years old.

WARNING: I take this method as General president, to warn you strictly that if it is found that the president and members of any local

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PRESIDENT JOE KNOX



The above is the likeness of that quiet, unassuming, but energetic Joe Knox, president of lodge No. 231, Hattiesburg, Mississippi. He too, was awarded a beautiful fountain pen for having added ten members or more and collected on same in the March Board. One wonders how he does so much with such little fuss or noise. He is not named "Joe" for nothing.

WEEKLY DEVOTION

STATION WCOC, MERIDIAN

Saturday Morning 9:35

Mar, 7 Rev, A R Clayton

Mar, 21 Evag, J W Golden

Mar, 28 Rev, E A Mays

Mar, 14 Rev, Witherspoon



Captain Davis a West Point graduate is the son of Brigadier General, Benjamin Oliver Davis, first Negro general in the regular Army. He is a member of the Tuskegee Army Air Corps Flying School for Negro Air Corps Cadets, at Tuskegee, Alabama, Captain

Benjamin Oliver Davis, Jr, prepares to take his advanced trainer into the air;